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Applicant : Schuegraf et al.

) Group Art Unit 2811

Appl. No. : 08/932,228

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Examiner : Hung K. Vu

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed March 3, 2000, in the above-captioned application, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the final rejections in view of the remarks set forth below.

REMARKS

The Examiner has rejected each of the pending claims under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Bose et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,492,859) in view of Ushiwata (JP 153717). The rejection of each claim depends upon this asserted combination.

Applicants respectfully traverse the rejections because Ushiwata is not prior art, and because the Examiner has not presented any suggestion for the asserted combination.

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Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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